

FARMERS SWINDLED LOAN BOARD SHOWS

Montana Men Mulcted by Agents
of Association—Department
of Justice May Act.

In its effort to shut off the work of swindlers who are operating on needy farmers under guise of forming "farm loan associations," the new Farm Loan Board has made public a typical case. Jacob J. Blumer, of Benham, Mont., wrote the board that he had been approached by an agent of a promotion concern who alleged that he had been employed by the government to represent one of the twelve Federal land banks, one of which, he stated, would be established in Montana.

The "agent" stated that he would provide for Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming, and informed the farmers that to become a borrower each one would be required to buy a share of stock costing \$5 for each \$1,000 loan. Mr. Blumer gave the man a check for \$500, covering ten shares, and later received a notice to pay \$500 more.

Agents of the same concern also approached A. T. Peck, of Fish Lake, Mont., and made the same representations to him. He stated to the Farm Loan Board that these "agents" had told him they had \$3,000 shareholders in Montana and Wyoming. He made one payment of \$25 and obligated himself for several more. That the same kind of a scheme is in operation in Kansas is shown by a letter from S. A. Altman, of that State, who told of giving \$300 on such a proposition.

The Federal Farm Loan Board has adopted the policy of refusing to grant charters to any joint land banks in the organization of which any money has been received for the purpose of forming a loan association. The National Farm Loan Association is not required to pay any advance commission.

The department is working on the cases of fraudulent enterprises which are mulcting the farmers by charging advance payments and important developments are expected soon.

**WHAT'S ON PROGRAM
HERE DURING WEEK**
Many Interesting Events of Importance Are Scheduled For Capital.

Today.
Meeting, Washington Secular League, Pythian Temple, 8 p. m.
Lecture before Associated Bible Students, by Miss Sturgeon, of St. Louis, Old Masonic Temple, 3 p. m.
Meeting, Social Club, Hebrew Home for Aged, 415 1/2 St. Northwest.
Address, "Safety First," by Herbert R. Johnson, Y. M. C. A. lobby, 3 p. m.
Address, "The Power of the Press," by J. M. Patterson, Y. M. C. A. lobby, 3 p. m.
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Tomorrow.
Meeting, Monday Evening Club, Y. M. C. A. Building, 8 p. m.
Examinations, applications for positions in the public health schools.
Celebration of new Park View school, under auspices of Park View Citizens Association.
Laying of cornerstone, new Mount Vernon Seminary, Nebraska avenue and Massachusetts avenue extended, 4 p. m.
Theatrical, Choral and Dramatic Society, meeting, oldest inhabitants of Hyattsville to entertain project course at Hyattsville avenue.
Meeting, Georgetown Citizens Association, "Yonah Bank Hall," 8 p. m.
Meeting, committee on public schools, Washington, 10:15 a. m.
Meeting, new National Y. M. C. A. building, Y. M. C. A. hall, 8 p. m.
Annual meeting, Friendship House, 224 Virginia avenue, 8 p. m.
Address, Arthur E. Reimer, Presidential candidate of Socialist-Labor party, Pythian Temple, 8 p. m.
Meeting, Hughes Club, cluroom, Fifteenth and F streets northwest, 8:30 p. m.
Meeting, American Legion, 1515 1/2 St. N. W., 8 p. m.
Meeting, Pleasant, No. 3, Washington Order of Eastern Star, 8 p. m.
Old Fellows—Langdon, No. 25; Union, No. 11; Deacon, No. 1.
Rehearsal—Naomi, No. 1; Ruth, No. 2; Knights of Pythias—Century No. 30; Amaranth, No. 25.

Tuesday.
Meeting, Anthony League, 2007 Columbia road, 2 p. m.
Annual card party, for benefit of Columbia Polytechnic Institute for the Blind, under auspices Aid Relief Society, the Cairo, 2 p. m.
Boasting trip through Maryland towns, Retail Merchants Association.
Meeting, Camp No. 1, United Confederate Veterans, Confederate Memorial Hall, 8 p. m.
Boasting Young Women's Hebrew Association, Old Masonic Temple, 8 p. m.
Meeting, Women's Missionary Society of Mount Vernon, 1228 Eleventh street, 8 p. m.
Masonic—National, No. 12; Myron M. Farrier, No. 3; King David, No. 14; Fayette, No. 5; Royal Arch; Mithras Lodge of Perfection, A. A. B. R.
Eastern Star—Hiram, No. 5; Fidelity, No. 18.
Old Fellows—M. Pleasant, No. 25; Amity, No. 21; Washington, No. 6; Golden Rule, No. 21.
Rehearsal—Fidelity, No. 4.
Knights of Pythias—Excelsior, No. 14; Webster, No. 7; Capital, No. 24; Myrtle, No. 25; Elks—Elks Oyster Club, oyster roast.

Wednesday.
Meeting, Association of Former Chemistry Students of George Washington University with George Washington Chemical Society, 1213 H street, 8 p. m.
Dinner, Washington Association of Credit Men, Elkhart Hotel.
Opening, Theodor Bailey Myers Mason School of National Preparedness, 1400 Twentieth street northwest.
Meeting, Agricultural branch, Federal Employees Union, Y. M. C. A. building, 8 p. m.
Masonic—Washington, Centennial, No. 16; Garlin, No. 25; East Gate, No. 34.
Eastern Star—David, No. 14; Fayette, No. 5; Royal Arch; Mithras Lodge of Perfection, A. A. B. R.
Rehearsal—Sixty-fifth anniversary, I. O. O. F. Hall.
Knights of Pythias—Mount Vernon, No. 5; Equal, No. 17.
Pythian Sisters—Friendship Temple, No. 5; Daughters of Isabella—Court 222, second meeting of month, 8 p. m.

Thursday.
Masonic—Naval, No. 16; Hiram, No. 16; Fayette, No. 15; Adolphus Council, No. 2; Columbia, U. D.; Adolphus Grotto.
Eastern Star—David, No. 14; Fayette, No. 5; Royal Arch; Mithras Lodge of Perfection, A. A. B. R.
Old Fellows—Columbia, No. 10; Covenant, No. 12.
Knights of Pythias—Friendship, No. 5; Knights of Pythias—Franklin, No. 2.
Pythian Sisters—Past Chiefs' Association monthly meeting, 8 p. m.
Daughters of Isabella—Spalding Council, Daughters of Isabella—Court 222, second meeting of month, 8 p. m.

Friday.
Masonic—Lecturer, No. 7; Royal Arch school of instruction.
Eastern Star—Martha, No. 4; East Gate, No. 34.
Old Fellows—Central, No. 1; Metropolitan, No. 1; Washington, No. 25; Magnesian, No. 4; Covenant, No. 12.
Knights of Pythias—Friendship, No. 5; Knights of Pythias—Franklin, No. 2.
Pythian Sisters—Past Chiefs' Association monthly meeting, 8 p. m.
Daughters of Isabella—Spalding Council, Daughters of Isabella—Court 222, second meeting of month, 8 p. m.

Don't celebration, Pythian Temple auditorium, under auspices Wilson-Martin Democratic League, Convention Hall, 8 p. m.

Saturday.
Old Fellows—Canton Washington, No. 1; Pythian Temple, 8 p. m.

**Paul Borsen to Speak
Before Secular League**
Paul Borsen, author of "Radium and Rejuvenescence," and a cousin of the Norwegian dramatist, novelist, and poet, Borsen will be the principal speaker at a meeting of the Secular League this afternoon at the Pythian Temple, 1013 Ninth street northwest. The subject of his address will be "Radium in the Light of Recent Discovery." The Secular League has passed a memorial resolution expressing its loss in the death of William Duncan McKenna, a former president and active worker.

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